Definitions of Nonfunctional Requirements

Availability Rate of hardware and software component failure (mean time

between failures

Cost of Ownership Overall operating costs to the organization after the system is

in production

Maintainability Ability of the support programming staff to keep the system

in a steady running state, including enhancements

Data integrity Tolerance for loss, corruption or duplication of data

Development Cost Overall cost of development

Extensibility Ability to accommodate increased functionality

Flexibility Ability to handle requirement changes

Functionality Number, variety and breadth of user-oriented features

Installability Ease of system installations on all necessary platforms

Leverageability/Reuse Ability to leverage common components across multiple

products

Operability Ease of everyday operation; level of support requirements

Performance Ability to meet real-time constraints online

Portability Ability to move the application to different platforms or

operating systems

Quality Reduced number of sever defects

Robustness Ability to handle error and boundary conditions while

running

Scalability Ability to handle a wide variety of system configuration sizes